and North Eastern States, Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Lakshadweep and ITDP areas. In addition under the Technology Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture in North Eastern States, Jammu and Kahsmir, Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand, higher levels of assistance @ 50% upto Rs. 4.00 crore for a setting up and Rs.1.00 crore for up gradation of fruit and vegetables processing is allowed. The Government of India has also launched the National Horticulture Mission (NHM) for holistic development of Horticulture in the country.

Setting-up of wine parks

2148. SHRI NANDI YELLAIAH: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are seriously contemplating for setting-up wine parks in select locations to promote grape cultivation in the country, in order to secure enlarged markets abroad for Indian wine and to expand local market for wine;

(b) if so, whether Government would assure of confining to increase of grape cultivation for exporting grapes, to foreign countries, instead of creating habit of wine drinking through wine parks; when exports of grapes are increasing heavily due to reduction of pesticides in grape cultivation; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) to (c) Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MFPI) had been providing financial assistance under its Tenth Plan Scheme for setting up of Food Parks @ 25% of project cost in general areas and 33.33% of project cost in difficult areas, subject to maximum of Rs. 4.00 crore for creation of common facilities such as power supply, water supply, cold storage, warehousing facilities, effluent treatment plant, food testing analytical laboratories, common processing facilities etc. The Ministry does not set up food parks on its own. However, it encourages post harvest management by extending financial assistance to various food processing units. The Ministry had approved financial assistance to 56 Food Parks in the Country so far, which includes two food parks at Palus, Distt. Sangli, and Vinchur, Distt. Nashik, Maharashtra to provide various common facilities to the grape processing units. Department of Agriculture and Co-operation, Ministry of Agriculture and State Governments provide extension services to the farmers for cultivation of suitable varities of grapes and increasing the area under cultivation.

Development fees in Kendriya Vidyalayas

†2149. SHRI JAI PARKASH AGGARWAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the norms set by Government for charging the School Development Fund fee from Kendriya Vidyalaya students;

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